

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 11, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- The preferred embodiment of the off-axis anastigmatic optic 10 of the invention is shown in Fig. 1, comprising primary mirror **12**, secondary mirror **14**, tertiary mirror **16** having a focal point which is off an alignment axis shared by the primary and secondary mirrors, and imaging sensor or optic **18**. Alignment axis **20** of the secondary mirror is constrained during alignment to coincide with vertex **22** of both primary and tertiary mirrors.--